

This Page Is Inserted by IFW Operations
and is not a part of the Official Record

BEST AVAILABLE IMAGES

Defective images within this document are accurate representations of the original documents submitted by the applicant.

Defects in the images may include (but are not limited to):

- BLACK BORDERS
- TEXT CUT OFF AT TOP, BOTTOM OR SIDES
- FADED TEXT
- ILLEGIBLE TEXT
- SKEWED/SLANTED IMAGES
- COLORED PHOTOS
- BLACK OR VERY BLACK AND WHITE DARK PHOTOS
- GRAY SCALE DOCUMENTS

IMAGES ARE BEST AVAILABLE COPY.

**As rescanning documents *will not* correct images,
please do not report the images to the
Image Problem Mailbox.**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 with Express Mail label no. EL293875296US addressed to: Mail Stop Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on:

John J. Torrente

March 17, 2004

March 17, 2004

Date of Signature

EXPRESS MAIL LABEL NO. EL293875296US

PATENT
B208-1039A

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Satoshi Okamura
Serial No. : Unassigned (Parent 09/354,081
filed 7/15/1999)
For : IMAGE PICKUP APPARATUS
Filed : Herewith
Examiner : Unassigned (Parent – Tuan V. Ho)
Art Unit : Unassigned (Parent - 2612)

Mail Stop Patent Application
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

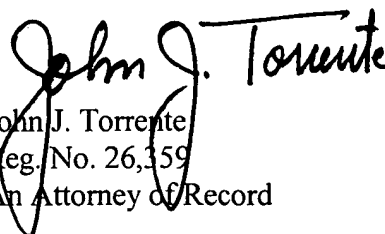
CLAIM TO BENEFIT OF 35 U.S.C. §119
AND FILING OF PRIORITY DOCUMENT

Claim is made herein to the benefit of 35 U.S.C. §119 for the filing date of the
following Japanese Patent Application No.: HEI 10-206667 (filed July 22, 1998). A certified
copy of this document has been filed in U.S. application Serial No. 09/354,081.

Dated: March 17, 2004

ROBIN, BLECKER & DALEY
330 Madison Avenue
New York, NY 10017
T: (212) 682-9640

Respectfully submitted,


John J. Torrente
Reg. No. 26,359
An Attorney of Record

日 本 国 特 許 庁
PATENT OFFICE
JAPANESE GOVERNMENT

別紙添付の書類に記載されている事項は下記の出願書類に記載されて
いる事項と同一であることを証明する。

This is to certify that the annexed is a true copy of the following application as filed
with this Office.

出 願 年 月 日
Date of Application:

1 9 9 8 年 7 月 2 2 日

出 願 番 号
Application Number:

平成 1 0 年 特 許 願 第 2 0 6 6 6 7 号

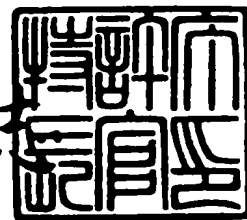
出 願 人
Applicant (s):

キヤノン株式会社

1 9 9 9 年 8 月 2 日

特 許 庁 長 官
Commissioner,
Patent Office

伴 佐 山 建 彦



出 証 番 号 出 証 特 平 1 1 - 3 0 5 4 0 1